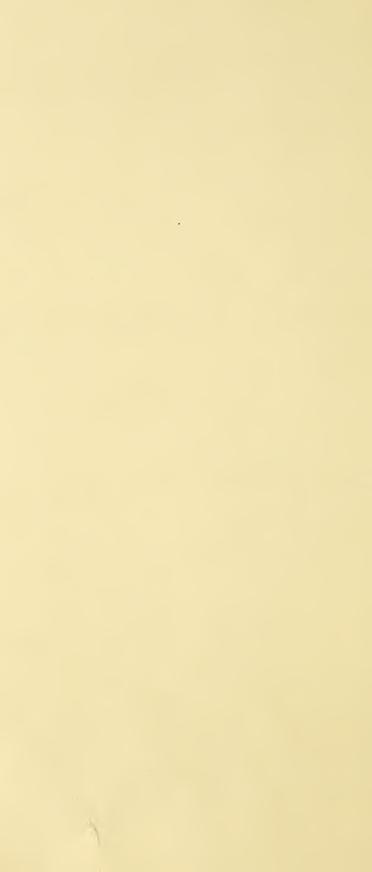
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FOURTH LIBERTY LOAN.

TO ALL THE MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE:

I have been asked by the Liberty Loan Committee of the department to say a word to you in connection with this fourth effort of your Government to borrow money from you to help finance the great war under-takings. I can not convince myself that an appeal to you from me or anybody else is at all necessary. You will lend money to the Government to the very limit of your ability. You will raise your ability to the maximum by the utmost economy. You want to win this war. You want to win it as quickly as possible. You are unwilling that the boys shall lack a single thing the Nation can give them to raise their effectiveness to the highest point. You would feel guilty if, through your remissness, a boy was wounded or lost his life. You will do your duty with the same devotion that the boys are showing on the fields of France, on the ocean, and in the camps. Many of them are giving their lives—all are risking their lives. You will lend the Nation your money, not be-cause it is the safest loan in the world, but because you want the Nation to win this fight for civilization. You will not stand back because your contribution may be small. You know that your Government wants not only your financial backing, but also your moral support. Let us confront the foe, not only with millions of men at the front, but also with the money and the moral determination of tens of millions at home.

D. F. HOUSTON, Secretary of Agriculture.

